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# Properties on relative normality, their absolute embeddings and related problems

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## 1. Introduction

This note is a summary of [20]. Throughout this paper all spaces are assumed to be  $T_1$  topological spaces and the symbol  $\gamma$  denotes an infinite cardinal.

The notions of relative normality and relative paracompactness are central in the study of relative topological properties which has been posed by Arhangel'skiĭ and Genedi [4], and also in the subsequent articles [2] and [3] by Arhangel'skiĭ.

Let  $X$  be a space and  $Y$  a subspace of  $X$ . A subspace  $Y$  is said to be *normal* (respectively, *strongly normal*) in  $X$  if for each disjoint closed subsets  $F_0, F_1$  of  $X$  (respectively, of  $Y$ ), there exist disjoint open subsets  $G_0, G_1$  of  $X$  such that  $F_i \cap Y \subset G_i$  for each  $i = 0, 1$ . A subspace  $Y$  is said to be 1- (respectively, 2-) *paracompact* in  $X$  if for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$ , there exists a collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of open subsets of  $X$  with  $X = \bigcup \mathcal{V}$  (respectively,  $Y \subset \bigcup \mathcal{V}$ ) such that  $\mathcal{V}$  is a partial refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  is locally finite at each point of  $Y$ . Here,  $\mathcal{V}$  is said to be a *partial refinement* of  $\mathcal{U}$  if for each  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ , there exists a  $U \in \mathcal{U}$  containing  $V$ . The term “2-paracompact” is often simply said “paracompact”. In the definition of 2-paracompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$  above, when we replace “open cover of  $X$ ” by “collection of open subsets of  $X$  with  $Y \subset \bigcup \mathcal{U}$ ”,  $Y$  is said to be *Aull-paracompact* in  $X$  ([3], [5]). Each of 1-paracompactness and Aull-paracompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$  clearly implies 2-paracompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$ . Note that 1-paracompactness coincides with  $\alpha$ -paracompactness defined by Aull [6] for a closed subset of a regular space [23]. See also Theorem 3.11.

On the other hand, it is natural to define the following two relative notions; a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is said to be  $\gamma$ -*collectionwise normal* (respectively, *strongly  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal*) in  $X$  if for every discrete collection  $\{E_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of closed subsets of  $X$  (respectively, of  $Y$ ), there is a pairwise disjoint collection  $\{U_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $E_\alpha \cap Y \subset U_\alpha$  (respectively,  $E_\alpha \subset U_\alpha$ ) for every  $\alpha < \gamma$  ([18]). Clearly,  $Y$  being  $\omega$ -collectionwise normal (respectively, strongly  $\omega$ -collectionwise normal) in  $X$  is equivalent to that  $Y$  is normal (respec-

tively, strongly normal) in  $X$ . When  $Y$  is  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal (respectively, strongly  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal) in  $X$  for every  $\gamma$ , we say  $Y$  is *collectionwise normal* (respectively, *strongly collectionwise normal*) in  $X$ ; we see that collectionwise normality (respectively, strongly collectionwise normality) of  $Y$  in  $X$  is equal to being  $\alpha$ -CN (respectively,  $\gamma$ -CN) of  $Y$  in the sense of Aull [7].

## 2. Preliminaries and 1- or 2- (collectionwise) normality of a subspace in a space

At first, we recall some preliminary notions and facts.

Let  $Y$  be a subspace of a space  $X$ . As is known,  $Y$  is said to be  $C^*$ - (respectively,  $C$ -) *embedded in*  $X$  if every bounded real-valued (respectively, real-valued) continuous function on  $Y$  is continuously extended over  $X$ . A subspace  $Y$  is said to be  $P^\gamma$ - (respectively,  $P$ -) *embedded in*  $X$  if every continuous  $\gamma$ -separable (respectively, continuous) pseudo-metric on  $Y$  is continuously extended over  $X$  ([1]); a pseudo-metric  $d$  on  $Y$  is  $\gamma$ -separable if the pseudo-metric space  $(Y, d)$  has weight  $\leq \gamma$ . It is known that  $P^\omega$ -embedding is equal to  $C$ -embedding ([1]).

By [2],  $Y$  is said to be *weakly  $C$ -embedded* in  $X$  if for every real-valued continuous function  $f$  on  $Y$  there exists a real-valued function on  $X$  which is an extension of  $f$  and continuous at each point of  $Y$ . By [18],  $Y$  is said to be *weakly  $P^\gamma$ -* (respectively, *weakly  $P$ -*) *embedded in*  $X$  if every continuous  $\gamma$ -separable (respectively, continuous) pseudo-metric on  $Y$  is extended to a pseudo-metric on  $X$  which is continuous at each point of  $Y \times Y$ . Weak  $P^\omega$ -embedding is equal to weak  $C$ -embedding ([18]). A space  $X$  is  $\gamma$ -*collectionwise normal* if for every discrete collection  $\{E_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of closed subsets there exists a pairwise disjoint collection  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of open subsets such that  $E_\alpha \subset G_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha < \gamma$ . Clearly,  $X$  is collectionwise normal if  $X$  is  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal for every  $\gamma$ .

A subspace  $Y$  is said to be *Hausdorff in*  $X$  if for every two distinct points  $y_1, y_2$  of  $Y$ , there are disjoint open subsets  $U_1, U_2$  of  $X$  such that  $y_i \in U_i$  for each  $i = 0, 1$ . A subspace  $Y$  is said to be *strongly regular in*  $X$  if for each  $x \in X$  and each closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  with  $x \notin F$ , there exist disjoint open subsets  $U, V$  of  $X$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $F \cap Y \subset V$ .

Let  $X_Y$  denote the space obtained from the space  $X$ , with the topology generated by a subbase  $\{U \mid U \text{ is open in } X \text{ or } U \subset X \setminus Y\}$ . Hence, points in  $X \setminus Y$  are isolated and  $Y$  is closed in  $X_Y$ . Moreover,  $X$  and  $X_Y$  generate the same topology on  $Y$  ([12]). As is seen in [2], the space  $X_Y$  is often useful in discussing several relative topological properties. It is easy to see that  $Y$  is Hausdorff in  $X$  if and only if  $X_Y$  is Hausdorff. The following results given in [2], [18] are fundamental in the present paper.

**Lemma 2.1** ([2],[18]). *For a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  $Y$  is strongly normal in  $X$ .
- (b)  $Y$  is normal in  $G$  for every open subset  $G$  of  $X$  with  $Y \subset G$ .
- (c)  $X_Y$  is normal.
- (d)  $Y$  is normal in  $X_Y$ .
- (e)  $Y$  is normal itself and weakly  $C$ -embedded in  $X$ .

**Lemma 2.2** ([18]). *For a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  $Y$  is strongly  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal in  $X$ .
- (b)  $Y$  is  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal in  $G$  for every open subset  $G$  of  $X$  with  $Y \subset G$ .
- (c)  $X_Y$  is  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal.
- (d)  $Y$  is  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal in  $X_Y$ .
- (e)  $Y$  is  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal itself and weakly  $P^\gamma$ -embedded in  $X$ .

Corresponding to Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2 we have the following lemma; (a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (c) was recently obtained in [30], and (c)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (e) for  $Y$  being Hausdorff in  $X$  was proved in [18, Lemma 4.6]. Other equivalences are easily proved.

**Lemma 2.3.** *For a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$ , the following statements from (a) to (d) are equivalent. If  $Y$  is Hausdorff in  $X$ , these are equivalent to (e).*

- (a)  $Y$  is Aull-paracompact in  $X$ .
- (b)  $Y$  is 2-paracompact in  $G$  for every open subset  $G$  of  $X$  with  $Y \subset G$ .
- (c)  $X_Y$  is paracompact.
- (d)  $Y$  is 2-paracompact in  $X_Y$ .
- (e)  $Y$  is paracompact itself and weakly  $P$ -embedded in  $X$ .

We now introduce notions of 1- or 2- (collectionwise) normality of  $Y$  in  $X$ . We say that a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is 1- (respectively, 2-) *normal in  $X$*  if for each disjoint closed subsets  $F_0, F_1$  of  $X$  there exist open subsets  $G_0, G_1$  of  $X$  such that  $F_i \cap Y \subset G_i$  for each  $i = 0, 1$  and  $\{G_0, G_1\}$  is discrete in  $X$  (i.e.  $\overline{G_0} \cap \overline{G_1} = \emptyset$ ) (respectively, discrete at each point of  $Y$  in  $X$  (i.e.  $\overline{G_0} \cap \overline{G_1} \cap Y = \emptyset$ )).

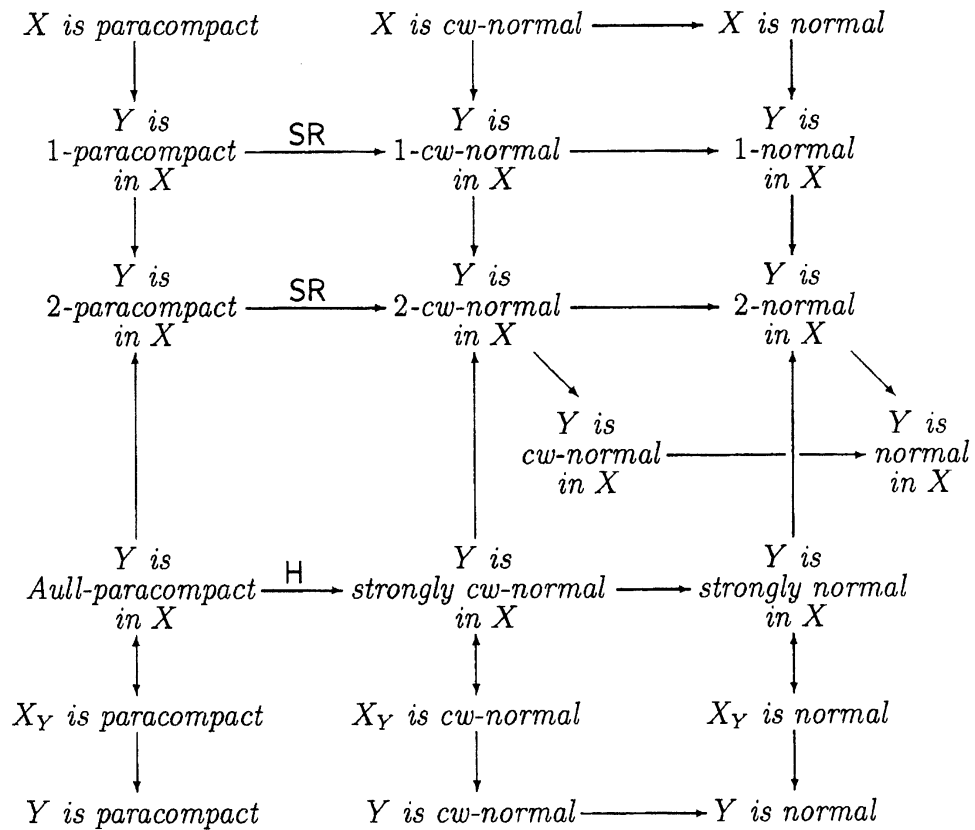
A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is 1- $\gamma$ - (respectively, 2- $\gamma$ -) *collectionwise normal in  $X$*  if for each discrete collection  $\{F_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of closed subsets of  $X$  there exists a collection  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $F_\alpha \cap Y \subset G_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha < \gamma$  and  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  is discrete in  $X$  (respectively, discrete at each point of

$Y$  in  $X$ ). If  $Y$  is 1- (respectively, 2-)  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal in  $X$  for every  $\gamma$ ,  $Y$  is said to be 1- (respectively, 2-) *collectionwise normal* in  $X^\dagger$ .

In the above definitions of 2-normality and 2- $\gamma$ -collectionwise normality of  $Y$  in  $X$ , it is easy to see that both  $\{G_1, G_2\}$  and  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  can be taken to be disjoint. Therefore, 2- (collectionwise) normality of  $Y$  in  $X$  implies (collectionwise) normality of  $Y$  in  $X$ .

These definitions above admit the following result; for brevity “cw-normal” means collectionwise normal. Moreover, the symbols “H” and “SR” mean the assumptions that “ $Y$  is Hausdorff in  $X$ ” and “ $Y$  is strongly regular in  $X$ ”, respectively.

**Proposition 2.4.** *For a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  the following implications hold.*



<sup>†</sup>2-collectionwise normality of  $Y$  in  $X$  is called collectionwise normality of  $Y$  in  $X$  in a recent paper of E. Grabner, G. Grabner, Miyazaki and Tartir, “Relative collectionwise normality” to appear in Appl. Gen. Top. Moreover, they also independently proved the implication “ $Y$  is 2-paracompact in  $X \xrightarrow{\text{SR}} Y$  is 2-cw-normal in  $X$ ” in Proposition 2.4 assuming further that  $X$  is Hausdorff.

Bella and Yaschenko [8] proved the following theorem. A space  $X$  is said to be *almost compact* if for every pair of disjoint zero-sets  $Z_0, Z_1$  in  $X$ , either  $Z_0$  or  $Z_1$  is compact. Note that a Tychonoff space  $X$  is almost compact if and only if  $|\beta X \setminus X| \leq 1$ , where  $\beta X$  is the Stone-Čech compactification of  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.5** ([8]). *For a Tychonoff space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is weakly  $C$ -embedded in every larger Tychonoff (or equivalently, regular) space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is either Lindelöf or almost compact.*

Theorem 2.5 was improved to the following.

**Theorem 2.6** ([18]). *For a Tychonoff space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is weakly  $P^\gamma$ -embedded in every larger Tychonoff (or equivalently, regular) space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is either Lindelöf or almost compact.*

With Theorem 2.5, Bella and Yaschenko [8] further proved the following theorem, which was independently proved by Matveev et al. [25].

**Theorem 2.7** ([8],[25]). *For a Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is strongly normal in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is normal in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (c)  *$Y$  is either Lindelöf or normal and almost compact.*

Similarly, Theorem 2.6 and Lemma 2.2 provide the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.8** ([18]). *For a Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is strongly collectionwise normal in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is collectionwise normal in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (c)  *$Y$  is either Lindelöf or normal and almost compact.*

**Remark 2.9.** Combining Proposition 2.4 and Theorems 2.7, 2.8, we have that “strongly normal” (respectively, “strongly collectionwise normal”) can be replaced by “2-normal” (respectively, “2-collectionwise normal”) in Theorem 2.7 (respectively, Theorem 2.8).

Moreover, the following theorem follows from Theorem 2.6 and Lemma 2.3.

**Theorem 2.10** ([4], [15], [30]). *For a Tychonoff space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  $Y$  is Aull-paracompact in every larger Tychonoff (or equivalently, regular) space.
- (b)  $Y$  is 2-paracompact in every larger Tychonoff (or equivalently, regular) space.
- (c)  $Y$  is Lindelöf.

**Remark 2.11.** In Theorems 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8 and 2.10, all “larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space” can be replaced by “larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace”.

**Remark 2.12.** Yamazaki [29] showed that the following are equivalent for a Hausdorff space  $Y$ :

- (a)  $Y$  is weakly  $C$ -embedded (or equivalently, weakly  $P$ -embedded) in every larger Hausdorff space.
- (b)  $Y$  is either compact or every continuous real-valued function on  $Y$  is constant.

In the condition (a), “larger Hausdorff space” can be replaced by “larger Hausdorff space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace”.

Hence, if we replace all “Tychonoff” in Theorems 2.7, 2.8 and 2.10 by “Hausdorff”, the conditions (c) of each theorems are replaced by “ $Y$  is compact” (see also [29], [30]).

**Remark 2.13.** Yamazaki [31] constructed a  $T_1$ -space  $X$  and a subspace  $Y$  such that  $Y$  is normal in  $X$ , but not 2-normal in  $X$ . We do not know similar examples under higher separation axioms. Furthermore, it is unknown whether if 2-normality implies 2- $\omega$ -collectionwise normality, or collectionwise normality implies 2-collectionwise normality.

### 3. Quasi- $C^*$ -, quasi- $C$ - and quasi- $P^\gamma$ -embeddings

In this section, we introduce new extension properties called quasi- $C^*$ -, quasi- $C$ - and quasi- $P$ -embeddings, which will play basic roles on the study of 1- (collectionwise) normality.

Let  $X$  be a space and  $\mathcal{E} = \{E_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Omega\}$  a collection of subsets of  $X$ . Then  $\mathcal{E}$  is said to be *uniformly discrete* in  $X$  if there exist a collection  $\{Z_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Omega\}$  of zero-sets of  $X$  and a discrete collection  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Omega\}$  of cozero-sets of  $X$  such that  $E_\alpha \subset Z_\alpha \subset G_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha \in \Omega$  ([9]).

Let us now define that a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is *quasi- $C^*$ -embedded in  $X$*  if for each pair  $Z_0, Z_1$  of disjoint zero-sets of  $Y$ , there exist open subsets  $G_0, G_1$  of  $X$  such that  $\{G_0, G_1\}$  is discrete in  $X$  and  $Z_i \subset G_i$  for each  $i = 0, 1$ .

A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is said to be *quasi- $P^\gamma$ -embedded in  $X$*  if for each uniformly discrete collection  $\{Z_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of zero-sets of  $Y$ , there exists a discrete collection  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $Z_\alpha \subset G_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha < \gamma$ . A subspace  $Y$  is *quasi- $P$ -embedded in  $X$*  if  $Y$  is quasi- $P^\gamma$ -embedded in  $X$  for every  $\gamma$ . Furthermore, quasi- $P^\omega$ -embedding is called *quasi- $C$ -embedding*.

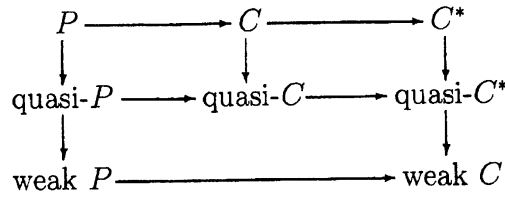
Definitions of quasi- $C^*$ -embedding and quasi- $P^\gamma$ -embedding should be compared with the following results in [9], [18] and [19].

**Lemma 3.1** ([9]). *A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is  $P^\gamma$ -embedded in  $X$  if and only if for every uniformly discrete collection of subsets of  $Y$  of cardinality  $\leq \gamma$  is also uniformly discrete in  $X$ .*

**Lemma 3.2** ([18]). *A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is weakly  $C$ -embedded in  $X$  if and only if for each pair  $Z_0, Z_1$  of disjoint zero-sets of  $Y$ , there exist disjoint open subsets  $G_0, G_1$  of  $X$  such that  $Z_i \subset G_i$  for each  $i = 0, 1$ .*

**Lemma 3.3** ([19]). *A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is weakly  $P^\gamma$ -embedded in  $X$  if and only if for each uniformly discrete collection  $\{E_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of zero-sets of  $Y$  there exists a pairwise disjoint collection  $\{G_\alpha \mid \alpha < \gamma\}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $E_\alpha \subset G_\alpha$  for each  $\alpha < \gamma$ .*

By Lemmas 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3, we have the following implications.



We note that none of reverse implications above is true.

**Proposition 3.4.** *For a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$ , the following statements hold.*

- (a) *If  $Y$  is itself  $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal and quasi- $P^\gamma$ -embedded in  $X$ , then  $Y$  is 1- $\gamma$ -collectionwise normal in  $X$ .*
- (b) *If  $Y$  is itself normal and quasi- $C^*$ -embedded in  $X$ , then  $Y$  is 1-normal in  $X$ .*

*Moreover, if  $Y$  is closed in  $X$ , each of (a) and (b) reverses.*



In [6], Aull defined that a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact in  $X$  if for every collection  $\mathcal{U}$  of open subsets of  $X$  with  $Y \subset \bigcup \mathcal{U}$ , there exists a collection  $\mathcal{V}$  of open subsets of  $X$  such that  $Y \subset \bigcup \mathcal{V}$ ,  $\mathcal{V}$  is a partial refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$  is locally finite in  $X$ . Note that  $\alpha$ -paracompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$  implies Aull-paracompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$  ([3], [4]).

Related to  $\alpha$ -paracompactness, let us recall the following results in [22] and [23, Theorem 1.3].

**Theorem 3.5 ([22]).** *A Hausdorff (respectively, regular, Tychonoff) space  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact in every Hausdorff (respectively, regular, Tychonoff) space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace if and only if  $Y$  is compact.*

**Theorem 3.6 ([23]).** *For a closed subspace  $Y$  of a regular space  $X$ ,  $Y$  is 1-paracompact in  $X$  if and only if  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact in  $X$ .*

Theorems 3.5 and 3.6 immediately induce a characterization of absolute 1-paracompactness as follows.

**Corollary 3.7.** *For a Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is 1-paracompact in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (c)  *$Y$  is compact.*

The following is one of our main theorems characterizing absolute quasi- $P$ -, quasi- $C$ - and quasi- $C^*$ -embeddings.

**Theorem 3.8.** *For a Tychonoff space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is quasi- $P$ -embedded in every larger Tychonoff space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is quasi- $C$ -embedded in every larger Tychonoff space.*
- (c)  *$Y$  is quasi- $C^*$ -embedded in every larger Tychonoff space.*
- (d)  *$Y$  is almost compact.*

*In the conditions from (a) to (c), “Tychonoff” can be replaced by “regular”.*

By Proposition 3.4 and Theorem 3.8, we have

**Corollary 3.9.** *For a Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is 1-collectionwise normal in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is 1-normal in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space.*
- (c)  *$Y$  is normal and almost compact.*

In Corollary 3.9,  $(b) \Leftrightarrow (c)$  also follows from [25, Theorem 2.6]. For the Hausdorff case, we have the following.

**Theorem 3.10.** *For a Hausdorff space  $Y$ , the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  $Y$  is quasi- $C^*$ -embedded in every larger Hausdorff space.
- (b) Every continuous real-valued function on  $Y$  is constant.

In (a), “quasi- $C^*$ -embedded” can be replaced by “quasi- $P$ -embedded” or “quasi- $C$ -embedded” and “larger Hausdorff space” can be replaced by “larger Hausdorff space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace”.

By Theorem 3.10 and Proposition 3.4, we have the following; a Hausdorff space  $Y$  is 1-collectionwise normal (or equivalently, 1-normal) in every larger Hausdorff space if and only if  $|Y| \leq 1$ . Moreover, “larger Hausdorff space” can be replaced by “larger Hausdorff space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace”.

Finally we consider the condition under which 2-paracompactness implies 1-paracompactness. We say a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is  $T_4$ - (respectively,  $T_3$ -) embedded in  $X$  if for every closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  disjoint from  $Y$  (respectively,  $z \in X \setminus Y$ ),  $F$  (respectively,  $z$ ) and  $Y$  are separated by disjoint open subsets of  $X$ . The idea of these notions already appeared in Aull [6]. It is easy to see that if  $Y$  is  $T_3$ -embedded in  $X$ , then  $Y$  is closed in  $X$ .

The following is a finer result of Theorem 3.6; to show “ $(b) \Rightarrow (c)$ ”, the implication “ $(b) \Rightarrow Y$  is  $T_4$ -embedded in  $X$ ” is due to Aull [6, Theorem 6]. By using this fact, Lupi         and Outerelo [23, Lemma 1.2 and Theorem 1.3] proved  $(a) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (b) \Rightarrow (c) \Rightarrow (a)$ .

**Theorem 3.11 ([23]).** *For a closed subspace  $Y$  of a regular space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  $Y$  is 1-paracompact in  $X$ .
- (b)  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact in  $X$ .
- (c)  $Y$  is 2-paracompact in  $X$  and  $T_4$ -embedded in  $X$ .

The proof of Theorem 3.11 essentially shows the following.

**Theorem 3.12.** *For a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  $Y$  is 1-paracompact in  $X$  and  $T_3$ -embedded in  $X$ .
- (b)  $Y$  is  $\alpha$ -paracompact in  $X$  and for every  $y \in Y$  and every closed subset  $F$  of  $X$  with  $F \cap Y = \emptyset$ , there exists an open subset  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $y \in U \subset \overline{U}^X \subset X \setminus F$ .
- (c)  $Y$  is 2-paracompact in  $X$  and  $T_4$ -embedded in  $X$ .

**Proposition 3.13.** *For a Tychonoff space  $Y$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (a)  *$Y$  is  $T_4$ -embedded in every larger Tychonoff space.*
- (b)  *$Y$  is compact.*

**Remark 3.14.** In Theorem 3.8, Corollaries 3.7 and 3.9, Proposition 3.13, all “larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space” can be replaced by “larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular) space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace”.

Theorem 2.10, Theorem 3.11 and Proposition 3.13 give an alternative proof to Corollary 3.7.

In case  $Y$  is Hausdorff, we have the following; a Hausdorff space  $Y$  is  $T_4$ -embedded in every larger Hausdorff space if and only if  $Y = \emptyset$ . The similar proof provides the following; a Hausdorff space  $Y$  is 1-paracompact in every larger Hausdorff space if and only if  $Y = \emptyset$ . Moreover, in both statements, “larger Hausdorff space” can be replaced by “larger Hausdorff space containing  $Y$  as a closed subspace”. This should be compared with Theorem 3.5 and Corollary 3.7.

#### 4. On 1-metacompactness of a subspace in a space

In this section, we describe absolute case of 1-metacompactness. A subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is said to be 1-metacompact in  $X$  if for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$ , there exists an open refinement  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $\mathcal{U}$  such that  $\mathcal{V}$  is point-finite at every  $y \in Y$  ([21]). In [16], 1-metacompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$  is called strongly metacompactness of  $Y$  in  $X$ .

A space  $X$  satisfies the *discrete finite chain condition* (DFCC, for short) if every discrete collection of non-empty open subsets of  $X$  is finite (see [24], for example). Recall that a Tychonoff space  $X$  is pseudocompact if and only if  $X$  satisfies the DFCC. It is also known that a Tychonoff space  $X$  is compact if and only if  $X$  is pseudocompact and metacompact ([27], [28]). Furthermore, a regular space  $X$  is compact if and only if  $X$  satisfies the DFCC and is metacompact ([27]).

According to [2], in [4], Arhangel'skiĭ and Genedi remarked the following fact; let  $Y$  be a countable dense subset of a regular space  $X$ . Then  $Y$  is 1-metacompact (or equivalently, 1-paracompact) in  $X$  if and only if  $X$  is Lindelöf. The proof of this fact is applied to show the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Take a separable space  $Z$  and a non-DFCC space  $Y$ , arbitrarily.*

*Let  $\{d_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a countable dense subset of  $Z$ ,  $\{U_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  a countable discrete collection of non-empty open subsets of  $Y$  and  $\{y_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  a countable*

closed discrete subset of  $Y$  such that  $y_n \in U_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $X$  be the quotient space obtained from  $Y \oplus Z$  by identifying  $y_n$  with  $d_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

If  $Y$  is 1-metacompact in  $X$ , then  $Z$  is Lindelöf.

Moreover, if  $Y$  and  $Z$  are Tychonoff (respectively, regular), then  $X$  is also Tychonoff (respectively, regular).

**Theorem 4.2.** *A Tychonoff (respectively, regular, Hausdorff) space  $Y$  is 1-metacompact in every larger Tychonoff (respectively, regular, Hausdorff) space if and only if  $Y$  is compact.*

Theorem 4.2 extends the following result due to E. Grabner et al. [16]; a normal space  $Y$  is 1-metacompact in every larger regular space if and only if  $Y$  is compact.

## 5. On 1-subparacompactness of a subspace in a space

It was defined in [26] that a subspace  $Y$  of a space  $X$  is 1-subparacompact in  $X$  if for every open cover  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $X$ , there exists a  $\sigma$ -discrete collection  $\mathcal{P}$  of closed subsets of  $X$  with  $Y \subset \bigcup \mathcal{P}$  such that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a partial refinement of  $\mathcal{U}$ .

In [26], Qu and Yasui asked a question as follows; let  $X$  be a regular space and  $Y$  a subspace of  $X$ . Is it true that if  $Y$  is 1-paracompact in  $X$ , then  $Y$  is 1-subparacompact in  $X$ ? The following theorem gives a negative answer to this question.

**Theorem 5.1.** *There exists a Tychonoff space  $X$  and a subspace  $Y$  of  $X$  such that  $Y$  is 1-paracompact but not 1-subparacompact in  $X$ .*

*Construction.* Let  $X$  be the set  $(\omega_2 + 1) \times (\omega_1 + 1) \setminus \{\langle \omega_2, \omega_1 \rangle\}$ . For  $\alpha \in \omega_1$  and  $\beta \in \omega_2$ , define  $G_\alpha = (\omega_2 + 1) \times \{\alpha\}$  and  $H_\beta = \{\beta\} \times (\omega_1 + 1)$ , respectively. Define a topology on  $X$  as follows. For  $\alpha \in \omega_1$ , a neighborhood base at  $\langle \omega_2, \alpha \rangle$  is the family of all sets of the form  $G_\alpha \setminus E$ , where  $E$  is a finite subset of  $\omega_2 \times \{\alpha\}$ . For  $\beta \in \omega_2$ , a neighborhood base at  $\langle \beta, \omega_1 \rangle$  is the family of all sets of the form  $H_\beta \setminus F$ , where  $F$  is a finite subset of  $\{\beta\} \times \omega_1$ . All other points of  $X$  are isolated in  $X$ . The construction of  $X$  is based on an example in [11]. Let  $Y = X \setminus ((\omega_2 \times \{\omega_1\}) \cup (\{\omega_2\} \times \omega_1))$ . Then  $Y$  is 1-paracompact but not 1-subparacompact in  $X$ .

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